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A TRIBAL PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF WATER EMERGENCY RESOLUTION #21-03-01 A.

WHEREAS the Redwood Valley Rancheria is experiencing record dry conditions, with 2021 projected to in severe drought; and

WHEREAS the Tribe's water supplies have dipped to alarming levels, indicated by significantly reduced surface water flows; and groundwater levels throughout Redwood Valley Rancheria have dropped significantly; and

WHEREAS the Lake Mendocino water storage levels are at record lows and the State Water Resources may issue domestic use water limits; and

WHEREAS dry conditions and lack of precipitation present urgent problems: drinking water supplies are at risk; animals and plants that rely on Tribal waters, including many species in danger of extinction, will be threatened; and the risk of wildfires across Redwood Valley Rancheria is greatly increased; and

WHEREAS extremely dry conditions have persisted since 2020 and may continue beyond this year and more regularly into the future, based on scientific projections regarding the impact of climate change; and

WHEREAS the magnitude of the severe drought conditions presents threats beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of any single local government and require the combined forces of a mutual aid region to combat; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of the Redwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians Tribal Constitution, the Tribal Council finds that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist on Redwood Valley Rancheria due to water shortage and drought conditions with which local authority is unable to cope.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Redwood Valley Tribal Council, in accordance with the authority vested by the Redwood Valley Tribal, Constitution and Bylaws, HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY to exist on the Redwood Valley Rancheria due to current drought conditions.



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CERTIFICATION

This certifies that the foregoing Resolution # 21-03-01 was duly adopted on the 21sth Day of March 2021 by a quorum of the Redwood Valley Little River Band of Pomo Indians Tribal Council at a duly called meeting. This further certifies that Resolution # 21-03-01 was adopted by a vote of _6__ For, _0__ Against, and __0_ Abstaining, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Debra Ramirez, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Erica Carson, Jr., Tribal Secretary

